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SUBJECT: EA/PRCM WEEKLY STATUS REPORT

### 1. ARRIVAL OF NEW PRCLO CHIEF (UNCLASSIFIED)

CHAI TSE-MIN AND HIS WIFE (LI YU-FENG) ARE PLANNING TO DEPART PEKING ON AUGUST 5, ACCORDING TO USLO. WE ARE PREPARING A LIST OF SUGGESTED CALLS ON USG OFFICIALS AND WILL KEEP YOU INFORMED OF ARRANGEMENTS RELATED TO THE ARRIVAL OF THE NEW PRCLO CHIEF.

### 2. TIBETAN DEMONSTRATION (CONFIDENTIAL)

THE THREATENED TIBETAN DEMONSTRATION ON CAPITOL HILL JULY 19 APPEARS TO HAVE PASSED QUIETLY WITHOUT ANY PRESS PLAY OF WHICH WE'RE AWARE. WE RECEIVED ONE CALL, CONFIDENTIAL

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FROM A STAFFER IN SENATOR JAVITS' OFFICE WHO WAS MEETING WITH THE GROUP, AND WE BRIEFED HIM ON THE PASSPORT PROBLEM. ON THE BUREAUCRATIC FRONT, BARBARA WATSON'S OFFICE IS STILL WORKING ON THE PROPOSAL FOR CHANGING THE PASSPORT BIRTHPLACE POLICY.

### 3. HIGH LEVEL PRC DELEGATIONS VISITING US THIS SUMMER

(LIMITED OFFICIAL USE)

AT LEAST TWO HIGH-LEVEL PRC DELEGATIONS WILL BE VISITING THE US WITHIN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS. THE MID-AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL TRADE COUNCIL (MIATCO) AND THE STATE OF MICHIGAN WILL BE HOSTING A 26-MEMBER DELEGATION HEADED BY TWO FULL MEMBERS OF THE PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE AND INCLUDING OTHER SENIOR PRC PROVINCIAL OFFICIALS. THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF NEWSPAPER EDITORS WILL BE HOSTING A DELEGATION LED BY THE DIRECTOR OF NCNA AND THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS INFORMATION DEPARTMENT. WE ARE ASKING THAT BOTH GROUPS BE GIVEN "OFFICIAL GUEST" STATUS (WHICH MEANS WE SUPPLY SECURITY PROTECTION AND CERTAIN OTHER PERKS).

4. MEETING WITH NATION COUNCIL OFFICERS (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE)

SEVERAL OF US MET THIS MORNING WITH CHRIS PHILLIPS, STAN YOUNG AND THE NEW NUMBER THREE MAN AT THE NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR US-CHINA TRADE, FORMER FSO AND DEPUTY PRINCIPAL OFFICER AT HONG KONG, NORM GETSINGER. THIS IS THE SECOND SUCH MEETING IN RECENT MONTHS AND REPRESENTS A CONTINUING EFFORT TO IMPROVE COOPERATION BETWEEN OUR OFFICE AND THE COUNCIL. CHRIS' INTERESTS TODAY INCLUDED HEARING FROM US ABOUT THE FRANK PRESS VISIT  
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(WE CHARACTERIZED IT BRIEFLY, BUT HE WILL BE TALKING FURTHER WITH THE WHITE HOUSE) AND THE IMPACT ON CHINA TRADE OF THE DECISION ON OIL EQUIPMENT FOR THE SOVIET UNION (WE REASSURED HIM ON THE BASIS OF OUR LIMITED KNOWLEDGE). WE EXPRESSED OUR WILLINGNESS TO CONSIDER DELAYING ISSUANCE OF VISAS TO CHINESE DELEGATIONS UNTIL APPROPRIATE HOSTING ARRANGEMENTS WERE CONFIRMED. CHRIS REITERATED THE COUNCIL'S DESIRE TO EXCHANGE INFORMATION WITH US ON A CONTINUING BASIS, AND STRESSED THE COUNCIL'S DISCRETION IN HANDLING SENSITIVE INFORMATION. I BELIEVE OUR RELATIONS WITH THE COUNCIL ARE GENERALLY QUITE GOOD: WE BOTH RECOGNIZE THE NEED FOR MUTUAL BACK-SCRATCHING.

5. PERFORMING ARTS TROUPE PACKING THEM IN (UNCLASSIFIED)

THE PRC PERFORMING ARTS TROUPE APPEARED BEFORE NEAR CAPACITY CROWDS AT THE MET IN NEW YORK, AND WE UNDERSTAND ALL SEATS AT WOLF TRAP ARE SOLD OUT EXCEPT FOR ADMISSION TO THE GRASSY AREAS. PROSPECTS FOR MINNEAPOLIS DO NOT APPEAR SO BRIGHT AT THIS POINT. VANCE

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